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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Provisional Application of:  
David A. Holmes

Application No.: 60/405,324

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Art Unit: 3618

For: STRETCHER CARRIER

Examiner: B. L. Swenson

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated May 3, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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